

2017 CWA Contest
Michael Brim Distinguished Service Award Nomination Form
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The **MICHAEL BRIM DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD**, sponsored by CWA, honors extraordinary achievement and communications excellence. It recognizes the person who, by word, deed, public communication, and professional excellence best promotes the ideals, mission, and best interest of the Cat Writers' Association. Nominees can include (but are not limited to) writers, editors, or publicists whose published work or actions have had a significant impact on improving the quality of life of cats, educating the public, promoting responsible cat breeding and ownership, and/or facilitating the professional growth of cat writers. The honoree shall receive \$500 and his or her name engraved on a permanent commemorative plaque (at the offices of the Cat Fanciers' Association Foundation).

CWA members and non-members are eligible for this award. Nominations must be made by a CWA member in good standing. You cannot nominate yourself. The submitter must explain his or her reasons for nominating the person, i.e., explain how the nominee has published and/or performed in some extraordinary fashion to benefit cats or cat writers. This should include a detailed description of what the nominee has done, whether a one-time accomplishment or a listing of publications and activities over time, for example. Referral to specific publications, articles, websites etc., is not required, but can help the judges in making their decision.

Michael Brim was instrumental in his lifetime by promoting many things that benefited cats – increasing the awareness, education, and responsibility of owners and improving the lives of cats overall (as advertising director of *Cats Magazine*); publicizing the value of purebred cats, responsible breeding, and the showing of cats (as the Cat Fanciers' Association's first public relations and marketing manager); and facilitating writers' and illustrators' professional growth (in co-founding the Cat Writers' Association). Our goal is to honor others whose writing and deeds share and reflect Michael's varied accomplishments. You may not nominate yourself. Nominations shall be reviewed and a recipient selected by the contest committee. *There is no entry fee required to nominate someone for this award.*

NAME OF NOMINEE

ADDRESS

TELEPHONE (day) (evening)

EMAIL

NAME OF SUBMITTER

ADDRESS

TELEPHONE (day) (evening)

EMAIL

On a separate sheet, please provide a brief summary of your nominee's accomplishments. (Please keep the summary to one single-spaced page.) **Nomination Forms MUST be Emailed / Postmarked no later than January 9, 2018.** *Questions?* Email Contest Chair Wendy Christensen at wendy@wendycats.com

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